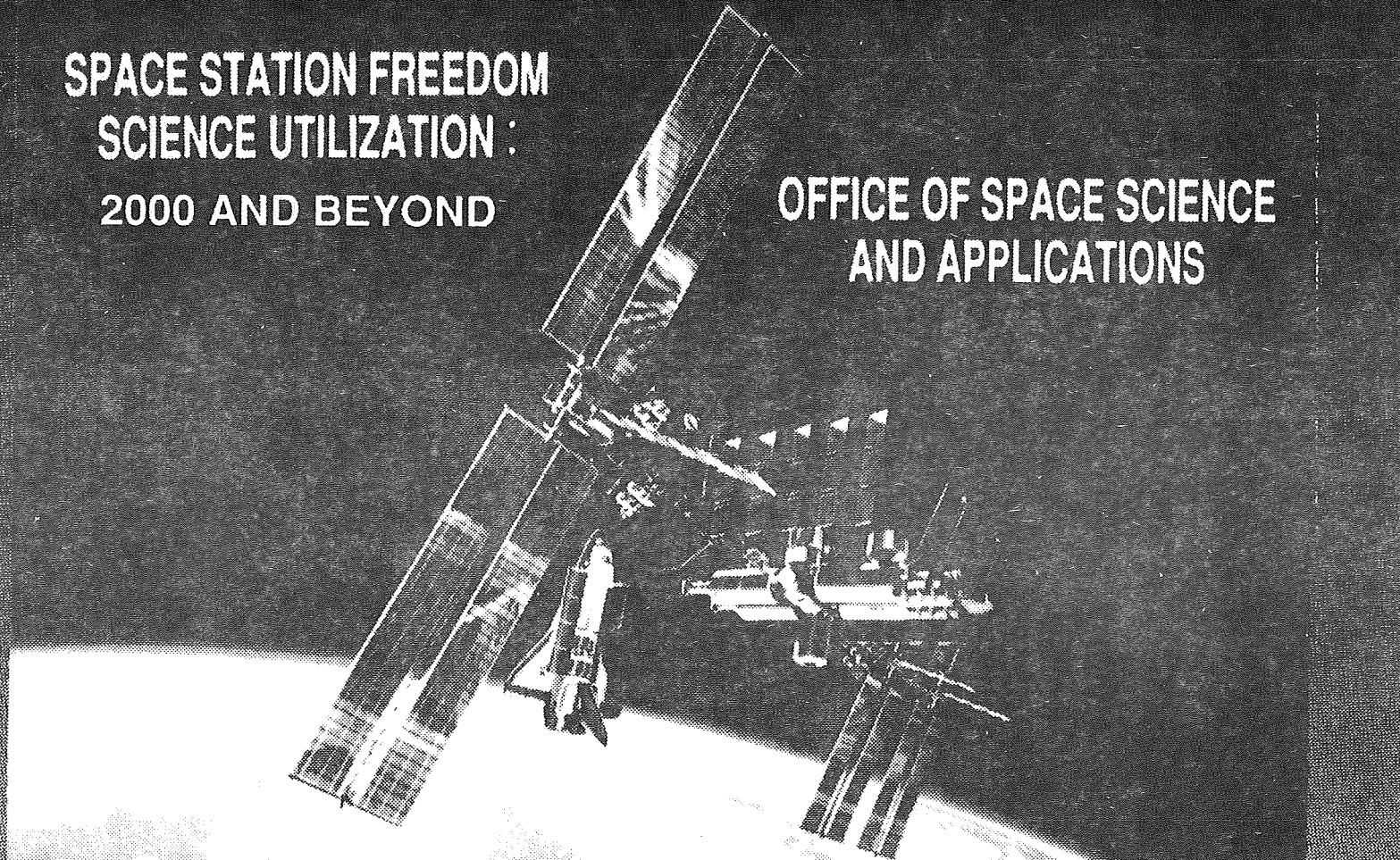


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SCIENCE UTILIZATION :  
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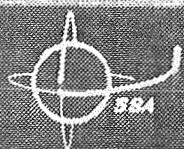
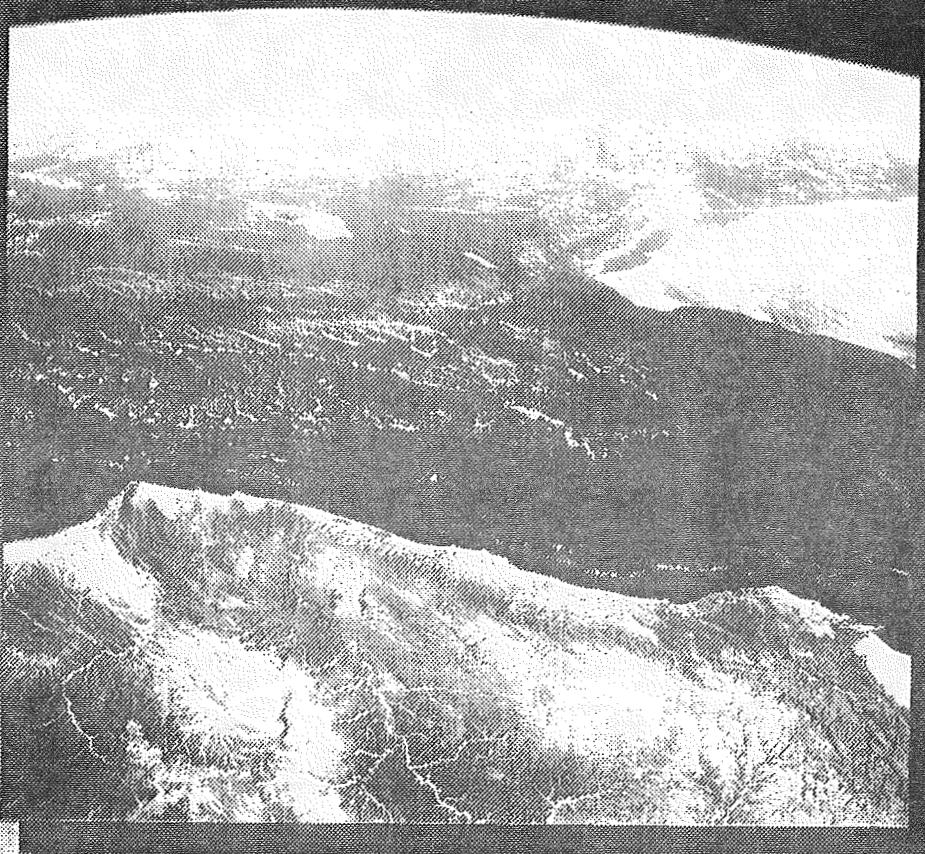


# OFFICE OF SPACE SCIENCE AND APPLICATIONS GOALS

TO ADVANCE SCIENTIFIC  
KNOWLEDGE OF THE PLANET  
EARTH, THE SOLAR SYSTEM,  
AND THE UNIVERSE.

TO UNDERSTAND THE EFFECTS  
OF THE SPACE ENVIRONMENT  
ON BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL  
PROCESSES.

TO EXPAND THE HUMAN  
PRESENCE BEYOND THE EARTH  
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# STRATEGIC PLAN

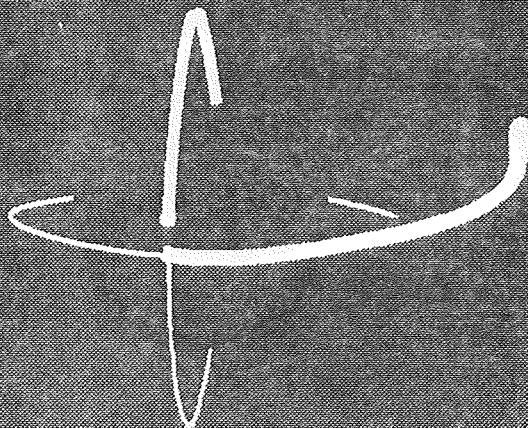
COMPLETE THE ONGOING  
PROGRAM

INITIATE A MAJOR OR MODERATE  
MISSION EACH YEAR

INITIATE SMALL MISSIONS FOR  
INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES

TRANSITION TO SPACE  
STATION FREEDOM

MAINTAIN AND AUGMENT THE  
RESEARCH BASE



# EVOLVING U.S. SPACE SCIENCE CAPABILITIES

## SOUNDING ROCKETS AND BALLOONS

\* ASTRONOMY

\* PLASMA PHYSICS

## FREE FLYING OBSERVATIONS

\* ASTRONOMY \* PLASMA PHYSICS \* PLANETARY

## SKYLAB

\* ASTRONOMY  
\* LIFE AND  
MATERIALS  
SCIENCES

## SPACELAB

\* LIFE AND MATERIALS  
SCIENCES  
\* EARTH SCIENCES

## SPACE STATION

\* LIFE SCIENCES  
\* MICROGRAVITY SCIENCES  
\* ATTACHED PAYLOADS

1940s

1950s

1960s

1970s

1980s

1990s

2000s

2010s



# OSSA STRATEGY FOR BASELINE SPACE STATION SCIENCE UTILIZATION

TREAT STATION UTILIZATION AS  
AN INTEGRAL ELEMENT OF THE  
OVERALL SPACE SCIENCES  
PROGRAM

ENSURE THAT STATION IS THE  
APPROPRIATE PLATFORM FOR  
THE SCIENCE IN QUESTION

AVOID DUPLICATION AND  
MAXIMIZE USER OPPORTUNITIES  
BY COORDINATING PLANS  
AMONG SCIENCE GROUPS (U.S.  
AGENCIES, INTERNATIONAL  
PARTNERS)

PROMOTE DISCIPLINE-DRIVEN  
UTILIZATION

→ EVOLUTIONARY APPROACH TO UTILIZATION: RELY ON MODEST  
EXPERIMENTATION INITIALLY, INTRODUCE MORE AMBITIOUS  
EXPERIMENTATION AS WE "LEARN HOW TO USE THE STATION"

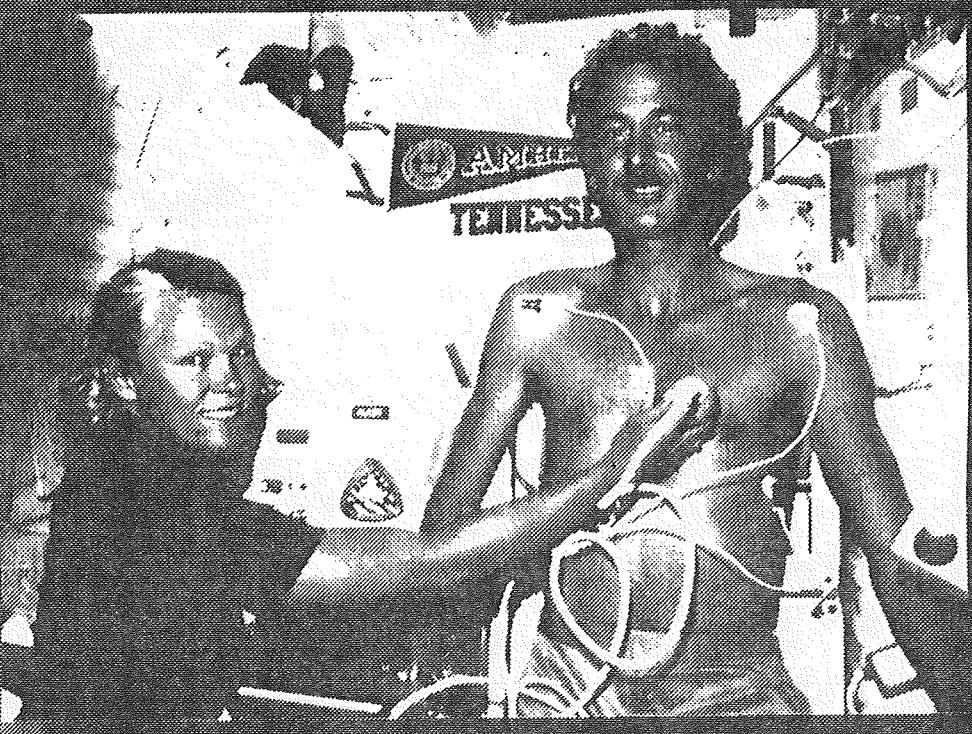


# LIFE SCIENCES GOALS

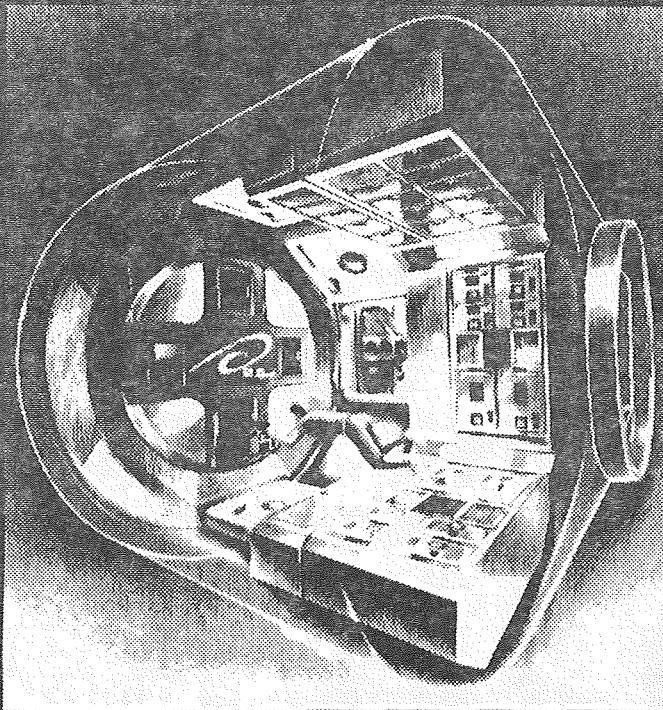
TO DEVELOP MEDICAL  
AND BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS  
THAT ENABLE THE HUMAN  
EXPLORATION AND  
HABITATION OF SPACE.

TO UNDERSTAND THE  
ORIGIN, EVOLUTION, AND  
DISTRIBUTION OF LIFE IN  
THE UNIVERSE.

TO UNDERSTAND THE  
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
LIFE AND GRAVITY AND  
OTHER PLANETARY PROPERTIES



# LIFE SCIENCES FACILITIES



CENTRIFUGE FACILITY

- CENTRIFUGE
- GRAVITATIONAL BIOLOGY
- SPACE PHYSIOLOGY
- GAS-GRAIN SIMULATION
- CLOSED ECOLOGICAL LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEM TEST FACILITY

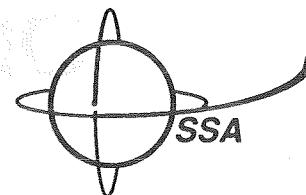
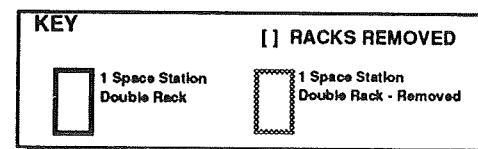


# OSSA SPACE STATION PAYLOAD TRAFFIC MODEL MAY 1991

## Life Sciences Pressurized Volume Payloads

| Calendar Year →                    | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999      | 2000    | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|---------|------|------|------|
| <b>CENTRIFUGE FACILITY</b>         |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| Centrifuge (CF)                    |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| Habitat Holding Facility           |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| Gravitational Biology Facility     |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| EVA/Space Physiology Facility/BMAC |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| Gas-Grain Simulation Facility      |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| CELSS Test Facility                |      |      |      |           |         |      |      |      |
| Rack Outfitting                    | 2    |      | 4    | 6[2] + CF |         |      |      |      |
| Cum. Racks On Station              | 2    | 2    | 6    | 10 + CF   | 10 + CF |      |      |      |

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# LIFE SCIENCES: PRE-PMC

## PHASE I: EVA/HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY

- COMMENCES WITH MTC
- RESEARCH FOCUSING ON THE PHYSIOLOGICAL RESPONSES TO REPEATED EVA, AND MONITORING OF HUMAN HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT OF SSF. SPECIFIC AREAS OF RESEARCH WILL INCLUDE:
  - PULMONARY STUDIES
  - CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH
  - METABOLIC AND MUSCULOSKELETAL STUDIES
  - NEUROSCIENCE RESEARCH



# LIFE SCIENCES: PRE-PMC

## PHASE II: LIFE SCIENCES/LIFE SUPPORT

- COMMENCE AROUND PMC
- BIOMEDICAL AND LIFE SUPPORT RESEARCH ACTIVITIES WILL BE INITIATED DURING THIS PHASE TO:
  - EXPAND UNDERSTANDING OF BASIC HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY IN WEIGHTLESSNESS
  - DEVELOP BIOREGENERATIVE LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEM TO SUPPORT CREW HEALTH MAINTENANCE

# LIFE SCIENCES: POST-PMC

## PHASE III: MEETING EXPANDED SCIENCE AND OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

CURRENT PLANNING CALLS FOR AN INTERNATIONAL LIFE SCIENCES RESEARCH FACILITY ON SSF TO SUPPORT CONTINUOUS SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS FOR:

- RESEARCH DEVOTED TO INDEPTH STUDY IN MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DISCIPLINES OVER PROLONGED PERIODS OF TIME
- ESTABLISHING A CAPABILITY TO ADDRESS MEDICAL ISSUES WHICH WILL ENABLE LONG DURATION HUMAN EXPLORATION MISSIONS



# LIFE SCIENCES: POST-PMC

BY THE YEAR 2001, THE FOLLOWING CAPABILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BE USED FOR THE NEXT TWO DECADES ABOARD SSF:

- **THE GRAVITATIONAL BIOLOGY FACILITY (CENTRIFUGE):** CONTROLLED LEVELS OF ARTIFICIAL GRAVITY TO SEPARATE THE EFFECTS OF WEIGHTLESSNESS FROM OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS
- **THE CELSS TEST FACILITY:** CONTROL, MONITOR, AND EVALUATE THE GROWTH OF CROP PLANTS AS A MEANS OF STUDYING BIOREGENERATIVE SUBSYSTEMS
- **GAS-GRAIN SIMULATION FACILITY:** STUDY CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL PROCESSES SUCH AS THE FORMATION, GROWTH, ACCRETION, AND INTERACTION OF CLOUDS, DUST GRAINS, AND OTHER PARTICLES IN MICROGRAVITY

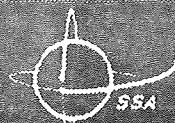
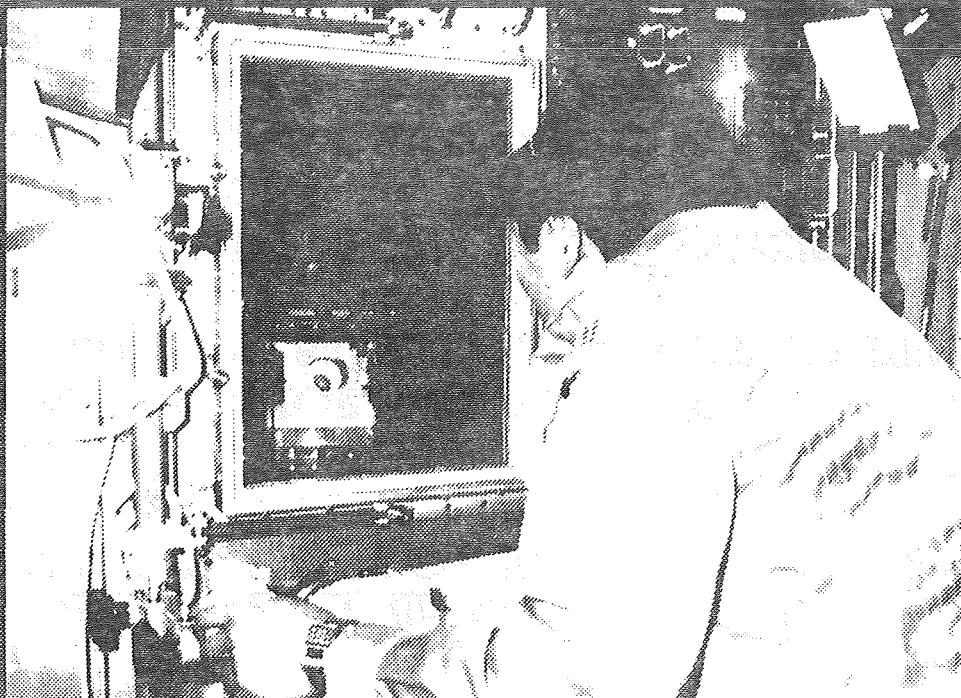
# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE AND APPLICATIONS GOALS

TO INVESTIGATE THE BEHAVIOR OF MATERIALS AND FLUIDS AND THE EFFECTS ON PROCESSES CARRIED OUT IN THE MICROGRAVITY ENVIRONMENT.

TO PROVIDE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE EFFECTS AND LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY GRAVITY ON PROCESSES CARRIED OUT ON EARTH.

TO EVOLVE PROCESSES THAT EXPLOIT THE UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MICROGRAVITY ENVIRONMENT OF SPACE TO ACCOMPLISH RESULTS THAT CANNOT BE OBTAINED ON EARTH, AND

TO EXPLORE AND DETERMINE POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS FOR COMMERCIALIZATION IN SPACE



# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE AND APPLICATIONS FACILITIES SUPPORTING FUNDAMENTAL SCIENCE, MATERIALS SCIENCE & BIOTECHNOLOGY

ADVANCED PROTEIN CRYSTAL GROWTH FACILITY  
SPACE STATION FURNACE FACILITY

MODULAR CONTAINERLESS PROCESSING FACILITY  
COMBUSTION FLUIDS FACILITY  
FUNDAMENTAL SCIENCE AND SMALL RAPID RESPONSE  
BIOTECHNOLOGY FACILITY

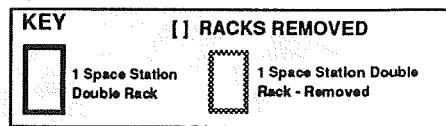


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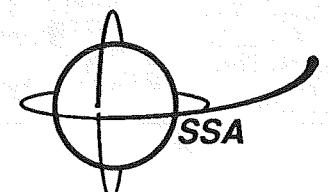
## Microgravity Science and Applications Pressurized Volume Payloads

| Calendar Year →                                     | 1996 | 1997 | 1998         | 1999        | 2000    | 2001 | 2002 |
|---|------|------|--------------|-------------|---------|------|------|
| <b>Spacelab Transition Payloads</b>                 | 5    | 1    | [4]          | [2]         |         |      |      |
| <b>Advanced Protein Crystal Growth Facility</b>     |      |      | 1            |             | 1       |      |      |
| <b>Space Station Furnace Facility</b>               |      |      | 2            | 1           |         |      |      |
| <b>Modular Containerless Processing Facility</b>    |      |      |              | 1           |         |      |      |
| <b>Combustion/Fluids Facility</b>                   |      | 1    | 1            | 2           | 3       |      |      |
| <b>Fundamental Science and Small Rapid Response</b> |      |      |              | 2           | 2       |      |      |
| <b>Biotechnology Facility</b>                       |      |      | UNDER REVIEW |             |         |      |      |
| <b>Total Transport</b>                              |      | 1    | 4            | 4 [1] + 1FF | 3 [2]   |      |      |
| <b>Cumulative Racks On Station</b>                  |      | 1    | 5            | 8 + 1FF     | 9 + 1FF |      |      |

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# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS: PRE-PMC

## PHASE I: MAN-TENDED/TRANSITION HARDWARE

- COMMENCES WITH MTC TO MID-1998
- EMPHASIS ON USING HARDWARE ORIGINALLY DESIGNED FOR SHUTTLE BUT ADAPTED TO SSF
- EXPERIMENTS IN MATERIALS SCIENCE, FLUID PHYSICS AND DYNAMICS RESEARCH, AND PROTEIN CRYSTAL GROWTH EXPERIMENTS



# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS: PRE-PMC

## PHASE II: MAN-TENDED/FACILITY-CLASS HARDWARE

- 1998-99 TO PMC
- RESEARCH TO CONTINUE IN MATERIALS SCIENCE, FLUIDS, AND PROTEIN CRYSTAL GROWTH DISCIPLINES, BUT WILL ADDRESS MORE MATURE SETS OF QUESTIONS
- COMBUSTION SCIENCE TO BE STUDIED (PREREQUISITE FOR OUTER PLANET EXPLORATION)



# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS: POST-PMC

## PHASE III: PERMANENT MANNED PRESENCE

- PMC ONWARD
- ALLOWS ITERATIVE SETS OF ON-ORBIT EXPERIMENTS REQUIRING EXTENDED PERIODS OF MANNED INTERACTION AND INTERPRETATION

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# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS: POST-PMC

## PHASE IV: MAN-TENDED FREE FLYER

- BASED ON RESULTS FROM PREVIOUS PHASES, CERTAIN CLASSES OF EXPERIMENTS REQUIRING LONG EXPERIMENTS TIMES AND LOWER-GRAVITY LEVELS WILL MIGRATE TO FREE FLYER
- EXPERIMENTS WILL INCLUDE GROWTH OF TECHNOLOGICALLY IMPORTANT ELECTRONIC AND OPTO-ELECTRONIC MATERIALS

# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS: POST-PMC

BY THE YEAR 2001, THE FOLLOWING CAPABILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BE USED FOR THE NEXT TWO DECADES ABOARD SSF:

**ADVANCED PROTEIN CRYSTAL GROWTH FACILITY:** Evaluate the effects of gravity on the growth of protein crystals and study the physics/dynamics of crystal growth

**SPACE STATION FURNACE FACILITY:** Explore potential for using low gravity environment to develop unique materials or materials structures

**MODULAR COMBUSTION FACILITY:** Provide better understanding of fundamental theories of combustion processes; provide data for combustion-related applications such as spacecraft fire safety



# MICROGRAVITY SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS: POST-PMC

**FLUID PHYSICS DYNAMICS FACILITY:** Provide better understanding of fundamental theories of fluids processes; provide data for fluids-related applications

**MODULAR CONTAINERLESS PROCESSING FACILITY:** Conduct research on properties and phenomena that on Earth are seriously affected by container contamination

**BIOTECHNOLOGY FACILITY:** Culture tissue models for genetic regulations studies, and study function and differentiation in low mechanical stress environment



## FINAL OBSERVATIONS

- OSSA WILL TAKE AN EVOLUTIONARY APPROACH TO SCIENCE ONBOARD STATION
- MANY PRIOR AREAS OF CONCERN WITH STATION CAPABILITIES (I.E., POWER) HAVE IMPROVED; MORE ARE ON THE PATH TO RESOLUTION
- SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS AND PROGRAMS WILL TEND TO ADJUST TO REALISTIC STATION CAPABILITIES
- THERE ARE NO MAJOR OSSA INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS FOR POST-PMC PERIOD

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